

FLEMING TOWN BOARD MEETING

APRIL 10, 2017

Call to Order by Supervisor Gary B. Searing at 6:30 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Supervisor Searing also wished everyone a Happy Easter.

Roll Call by Jo Anne Cox Town Clerk found the following board members present:

Supervisor Gary B. Searing

Councilman Jim Young

Councilman Gerald Dudek

Councilman David Ward

Councilman Don Oltz

also present: Attorney Michael D. Quill, Jr

Constable Alan Parsons

Brent Rosiek, Clark Patterson Lee

Tessa Crawford, Cuddy & Ward, LLP

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from March 13, 2017 as presented by Jo Anne Cox Town Clerk was made by Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Oltz. APPROVED AYES 5-0

Presentation: Tessa Crawford of Cuddy & Ward, LLP gave a presentation on the Town of Fleming's financial audit report for the year ending December 31, 2016. She gave the board an opportunity for questions and stated all looked well with the audit. Councilman Young would like the opportunity to read over the packet before we vote to accept. This will be done at the May 8, 2017 Town Board meeting.

Public to Be Heard: The Public to Be Heard forum was read by Town Clerk Jo Anne Cox.

Chief Tim Kaiser of Fleming Fire Department #2 wanted to address the board stating as of January he became Chief of Fleming #2 and assured the board he will work with Chief Scott Kehoe of Fleming #1 to bring the best service to the Town of Fleming. He also provided the clerk with an updated list of staff. Tim also extended an invitation for all to attend an open house Saturday, April 29th and Sunday, April 30th from 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. both days. He asked if we could also put this on our website. They will be kicking off a fundraiser to purchase a new ambulance.

Beverly Merrill of 6128 West Lake Road addressed the board seeking information from our assessor. Assessor Jeff Bartholomew will meet with her tonight.

Old Business:

- (a) Motion was made by Councilman Young to accept a **Resolution that the Town Board of Fleming in regular session duly convened, resolved to approve the Proposal for Engineering Services prepared by Barton & Loguidice for the Preliminary Engineering Report of the Potential Joint Water System Improvement Project between the Towns of Springport, Fleming and Owasco,**

and also authorized the Supervisor to sign the Memorandum of Understanding relating to the same.

- (b) Motion was made by Councilman Young to approve a new proposed sewer rate of \$5.65/1,000 gallons upon the recommendation of Brent Rosiek of Clark Patterson Lee, seconded by Councilman Dudek. This was approved on the following roll call:

Councilman Young	YES
Councilman Dudek	YES
Councilman Ward	YES
Councilman Oltz	YES
Supervisor Searing	YES

- (c) Supervisor Searing introduced Local Law #1 of 2017 it shall be known as the **“2017 Town of Fleming, New York Temporary Moratorium on Commercial Wind and Solar Development”**. Motion to accept as written and open a Public Hearing May 8, 2017 was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Ward. This was approved on the following roll call:

Councilman Young	YES
Councilman Dudek	YES
Councilman Ward	YES
Councilman Oltz	YES
Supervisor Searing	YES

New Business:

- (a) Motion to approve New York Leak Detection, Inc. to perform a comprehensive leak detection survey and report on approximately 19.1 miles of water distribution system at a cost of \$4,650.00 was made by Councilman Dudek, seconded by Councilman Ward. APPROVED AYES 5-0
- (b) Motion to appoint Jeff Bartholomew as the town's new assessor and accepting his assessment proposal was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Oltz. APPROVED AYES 5-0
- (c) Discussion was made regarding the WeCare trash/recycling contract with the town attorney. He advised that we cannot accept a proposal for a certain dollar amount unless it goes out to bid first. Kerry Smith will follow up with bids.
- (d) Discussion was made regarding the approval of a computer server. The board was in agreement we need this but would like to meet with Dave Stathis first. Lisa will set up a meeting.
- (e) ZBA Alternate Member Joe Flaherty gave his resignation as of March 17, 2017. We have received an application from another Fleming resident which ZBA Chairman Bill Gabak has already spoken with. Supervisor Searing would prefer not to make a decision tonight until he meets with this person. He has asked Councilman Oltz to speak with Bill and set up a meeting with himself, Bill and the applicant.

Building Code/Zoning Enforcement Officer-Don Bowen: Don submitted his monthly report noting he attended a ZBA meeting, a Watershed meeting and attended the annual three day New York State

training course. He has also been creating a folder filing system which he will blend and share information with our new assessor. Discussion was made on the Iocolano property. Our attorney recommends if Iocolano's neighbor would like paperwork from the town he must submit a F.O.I.L. request which he would prefer to see first.

Highway/Recycling-Kerry Smith: Kerry stated Clean-Up Days are all set for May 20th. He is working on quotes for surveillance cameras. The new tractor has arrived and training for the guys will be forthcoming. Cemetery clean up is in progress and the snow fence has been removed. Roadwork will be starting soon to repair the divots. Councilman Oltz commented he would like a sign posted at the brush recycling pile due to the fact that residents have been seen dumping brush picked up from the city.

Motion was made by Councilman Young for approval of Kerry to attend Highway School, June 12-14 at a cost of \$110.00, seconded by Councilman Dudek. APPROVED AYES 5-0

Utilities Department-John Carter: John gave the details on Pump Station #7 being down for a long period of time on Thursday evening. Councilman Oltz mentioned what a good job John Carter and Dylan Smith did in handling the repairs.

Requests and Comments from the Board: Supervisor Searing passed along a message from Jay Grasso regarding the Income Survey and what a great response they have had so far. Councilman Young spoke in regards to the Parks Commission noting they are trying to stabilize the shoreline with fiber like-plastic mats. Also commented on the dog park and how well it is doing. Councilman Ward attended a two and a half day Comptroller Seminar in Albany and it was highly emphasized all municipalities should have written policies for fund balances and a comprehensive multiyear financial and capitol plan. We should be receiving booklets for the board to review and then he suggests a committee to move forward with this task.

Budget Transfers/Amendments: Motion to approve made by Councilman Dudek, seconded by Councilman Oltz. APPROVED AYES 5-0

Town Clerk's Report: Motion to approve was made by Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Young. APPROVED AYES 5-0

Supervisor's Report: Motion to approve was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Oltz. APPROVED AYES 5-0

Approval of Bills for Payment:

General Fund	\$14,017.48	Motion to approve made by Councilman Ward, 2 nd by Councilman Oltz. APPROVED AYES 5-0
Highway Fund	\$2,927.67	Motion to approve made by Councilman Young, 2 nd by Councilman Ward. APPROVED AYES 5-0

Water District #1	\$61,104.92	Motion to approve made by Councilman Oltz, 2 nd by Councilman Ward. APPROVED AYES 5-0
Sewer Fund	\$68,481.74	Motion to approve made by Councilman Young, 2 nd by Councilman Dudek. APPROVED AYES 5-0
Refuse Fund	\$782.35	Motion to approve made by Councilman Oltz, 2 nd by Councilman Ward. APPROVED AYES 5-0
Special Lighting District	\$165.43	Motion to approve made by Councilman Dudek, 2 nd by Councilman Oltz. APPROVED AYES 5-0
Water District Capital Project	\$1,107.11	Motion to approve made by Councilman Ward, 2 nd by Councilman Oltz. APPROVED AYES 5-0

Executive Session: Motion to move into Executive Session was made by Councilman Young, seconded by Councilman Ward. APPROVED AYES 5-0 No Action taken. Motion to move back into open session made by Councilman Ward, seconded by Councilman Oltz. APPROVED AYES 5-0

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Dudek, seconded by Councilman Oltz. The time was 8:30 p.m. APPROVED AYES 5-0

Respectfully Submitted,

Fleming Town Clerk